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FIRST HALF DECEMBER 1974, LIBYA

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1. TOTAL LIBYAN CRUDE PETROLEUM PRODUCTION INCREASED SLIGHTLY IN FIRST HALF OF DECEMBER OVER THE NOVEMBER FIGURE, ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY SOURCE, BUT NOT AS

MUCH AS HAD BEEN ESTIMATED. COMPARED BELOW ARE NOVEMBER FIGURES BY COMPANY, FIRST HALF DECEMBER FIGURES ESTIMATED 22 DECEMBER AND ACTUAL FIRST HALF DECEMBER FIGURES:

COMPANY NOVEMBER EST. FIRST ACTUAL FIRST (000 BBLS) HALF DEC. HALF DEC. (000 BBLS)

OASIS 317 451 365

OCCIDENTAL 217 180 205

MOBIL 96 61 60

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| OTHER | 16 | 15 | 15 |
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| TOTALS | 975 | 1,042 | 985 |

- 2. ALL COMPANY LIFTINGS DECREASED EXCEPT OASIS AND NATIONAL CO. FORMER HAD BEEN NOTIFIED IN EARLY DECEMBER ABOUT LIFTING EMBARGO TO U.S. AND LATTER CONTINUED INCREASE THAT HAS BEEN NOTICEABLE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS, PROBABLY BECAUSE OF DISCOUNTED PRICES.
- 3. OASIS OFFICIAL TOLD US HE EXPECTED DECEMBER SPURT WAS TEMPORARY, AND OASIS PRODUCTION WOULD REVERT TO A DECLINE. OCCIDENTAL REP (NOTIFIED LATER OF EMBARGO LIFTING) TOLD US HE EXPECTS JANUARY PRODUCTION AT ABOUT 300 TBPD.
- 4. WE CAUTION THAT TOTAL FIGURES COLUMN THREE ABOVE IS FIRST HALF FIGURE ONLY AND FINAL DECEMBER FIGURE COULD RANGE CONSIDERABLY HIGHER OR LOWER. STEIN

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